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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

It is hereby requested that the term to respond to the Species Election Requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 of September 24, 2002 be extended one (1) month from the response deadline of October 24, 2002 to November 25, 2002.

For any charges in connection with this response, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 19-5425 therefor.

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